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FROM HOLBROOKE

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJE T: MHOLBROOKE/MARCOS MEETING

FOLLOWING SECOND INTENSIVE DAY OF DISCUSSION WHICH WILL BE REPORTED  
SEPTEL, PRESIDENT MARCOS ASKED IF WE COULD "SHOW THE PEOPLE  
THAT WE HAVE MADE IMPORTANT PROGRESS ALREADY." HE THEN PROPOSED  
A STATEMENT. AFTER A SEPARATE DRAFTING SESSION, THE FOLLOWING  
WAS AGREED UPON. IT HAS ALSO BEEN REVIEWED WITH CINCPACREPPHIL,  
AND ADMIRAL SHELTON OF CINCPAC, WHO IS HERE TO ASSIST DURING  
TALKS. IT REPRESENTS ACTUAL UNDERSTANDING AS WE WILL REPORT SEPTEL,  
AND I BELIEVE IT REPRESENTS REAL, ALBEIT LIMITED, PROGRESS.  
UNLESS YOU HAVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS, IT WILL BE ISSUED AT 10 AM  
SATURDAY BY MFA. BEGIN TEXT

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CONCLUDING TWO DAYS OR PRODUCTIVE CONSULTATION  
IN WHICH PRESIDENT MARCOS TOOK A DIRECT INTEREST  
SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS CARLOS R. ROMULO AND  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARD HOLBROOKE AGREED  
THAT THE PRINCIPLES OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND MUTUAL BENEFIT  
WOULD GUIDE ALL DISCUSSIONS OF THE PHILIPPINE - U.S.

RELATIONSHIP. BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT THE CONSULTATIONS HAD RESULTED IN A DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF THE PERSPECTIVES OF EACH COUNTRY OVER A WIDE RANGE OF CONCERN AND ISSUES OF COMMON INTEREST. ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE WILL CONVEY THE UNDERSTANDING TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND SECRETARY VANCE.

SECRETARY ROMULO AND SECCOTARY ENRILE WILL MEET WITH SECRETARY VANCE IN THE U.S. LATER THIS MONTH.

THE PARTIES AGREED TO UNDERTAKE IMMEDIATELY A VIGOROUS MUTUAL EFFORT TO RESOLVE IRRITANTS IN PRESENT OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE MILITARY BASES USED BY THE U.S. A JOINT RP-US TASK FORCE WILL INITIATE DISCUSSIONS NEXT WEEK ON MEASURES TO BE UNDERTAKEN THROUGH EXISTING MECHANISMS TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS. BEGINNING WITH PERIMETER SECURITY THE TASK FORCE WILL ADDRESS A SERIES OF TOPICS SUCH AS CUSTOMS CONTROL AND WATERSHED MANAGEMENT.

THE TASK FORCE WILL CONSIST OF UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOSE D. INGLES, UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE ISABELO CASTRO OR UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE CARMELO BARBERO AND UNDERSECRETARY OF JUSTICE CATALINO MACARAIG FOR THE PHILIPPINES. CHARGE D' AFFAIRES LEE T. STULL, REAR ADM. THOMAS KILCLINE AND MAJ. GEN SECRET

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GREDDIE POSTON WILL REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES.

AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON VARIOUS PROPOSALS INCLUDING:

-- BOTH GOVERNMENTS WILL GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THE ORGANIZATION OF A STANDING BODY FOR POLICY LEVEL MANAGEMENT OF THE DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP.

-- THEY WILL FULLY IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE MILITARY BASES AGREEMENT WITH REGARD TO NOTIFICATION TO PHILIPPINE AUTHORITIES ABOUT THE DISPOSITION OF CASES INVOLVING CONCURRENT CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

-- THEY WILL EHNANCE THE CAPABILITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MILITARY LIAISON OFFICERS TO FOSTER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BASE AUTHORITIES AND CONCERNEDSFILIPINO CITIZENS.

THE PHILIPPINES AND U.S. AUTHORITIES AGREED THAT HIGH LEVEL CONSULTATIONS WILL CONTINUE WHEN A NEW AMERICAN AMBASSADOR ARRIVES NEXT MONTH.

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